



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be no geoduck fishery this week.

Due to inclement weather no paralytic shellfish poisoning samples were taken. The next possible date for a live geoduck fishery is December 16 and will be announced before that date.

Under Alaska's Health Orders 5, 6, and 8, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Orders. COVID-19 Health Orders may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-order/>.

ADF&G offices remain open but will be minimally staffed through mid-December as many staff will be working from home at direction from Governor Dunleavy and Commissioner Vincent-Lang to help slow the spread of COVID-19. The most efficient way to communicate with department staff will be through email. A list of contacts and contact information is provided below. If you need to conduct business in person at an ADF&G office, face coverings and strict social distancing is required.

Fishery Contacts

For information on surveys, biomass estimates, and corresponding GHGs contact:

Quinn Smith (quinn.smith@alaska.gov) or Kyle Hebert (kyle.hebert@alaska.gov)

For information on management of the geoduck fishery contact:

Justin Breese (justin.breese@alaska.gov), Bo Meredith (bo.meredith@alaska.gov), or Whitney Crittenden (whitney.crittenden@alaska.gov)

In addition, a complete list of commercial fishery contacts for Southeast Alaska can be found at:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.contacts>

Advisory Announcement web site: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>.

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